

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—San Francisco and vicinity: Fair this afternoon and tonight; cloudy Tuesday; light N. winds, change to S.E.
Northern California: Fair today and Tuesday; cloudy Tuesday in N portion.

LEGISLATORS OF THE NATION REASSEMBLE.

Great Crowds Throng the Capitol
at the Opening of
Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Noon—The two hours of Congress have been called to order for the second session of the Fifty-sixth Congress.

The opening of Congress today drew great crowds at the capitol. On June 27 last the first session of the Fifty-sixth Congress adjourned and the second session began today with many momentous questions awaiting attention of the national lawmakers.

Speaker B. B. Johnson arrived at his private office about 11:15 a.m. and was soon surrounded by members discussing the program of business. On the Senate side there was less evidence of activity and the crowds were shown in invading the galleries. The President Pro Tem, Mr. Frye, was at his office early, conferring with Senators, and by 11:30 the floor of the Senate began to show signs of the activity preceding actual business.

SENATE OPENED.

The New Senator From
Vermont Takes
the Oath.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—At 11:15 p.m. the Senate took a recess for half an hour and the President Pro Tem, Mr. Frye, appointed Messrs. Hoar and Cockrell a committee to wait on the President and inform him that the Senate was ready to receive any communication he desired to make. The committee will join a like committee from the House of Representatives.

At 12:55 the Senate took a further recess until 1:15.

The credentials of William B. Dillingham as a Senator from Vermont were presented and the oath was administered to him. He fills the unexpired term of the late Senator Merrill. Senator Gear's successor, former Representative Jonathan V. Dibble of Iowa, was present, but his credentials were withheld until the official announcement of Senator Gear's death.

The Senate assembled at 1:15 p.m. and a few minutes later Major Pruden, one of the President's secretaries, appeared with the President's message. Secretary Bennett and at once referred to that Committee.

SUDDEN DEATH OF THOS. L. MERRILL.

Passed Away in the Office of
the Contra Costa Water
Company.

Thomas L. Merrill, for twenty years a trusted employee in the office of the Contra Costa Water Company, died suddenly this afternoon either of heart disease or apoplexy, presumably the former. He had returned from lunch shortly after 1 o'clock and was busy at his accustomed duties when he suddenly fainted and fell heavily on the office floor.

He was borne to the inner office of the President and laid upon a lounge. Dr. Chamberlain, who was driving down the street, was called in, but life had already fled when he arrived.

Mr. Merrill never spoke after his fall and died within a very few minutes.

President Watkinson was absent, but W. J. Dingley, vice-president of the corporation, happened to be present and he speedily notified the family and the Coroner and made arrangements to have the body removed to the family residence at 125 Brush street.

Within half an hour Dr. Charles T. Randolph, son-in-law of the deceased, arrived and superintended the removal of the remains.

Thomas L. Merrill was a native of Maine and about 61 years of age. He had resided in California since early manhood and was highly respected by a large circle of friends. He was greatly esteemed for his upright character. For twenty years he had charge of the cash taken in at the collection counter, and was regarded as one of the most capable and trusted employees of the water company.

Mr. Merrill leaves a widow and two daughters, one of whom is married to Dr. Charles T. Randolph and the other to D. S. Matthews of the Sunset Grocery Company. The sudden death of the husband and father was a great shock to the family, and is especially distressing to the widow.

The cause of death cannot be definitely determined till the inquest is held, although there is every indication that it resulted from heart disease. For several years Mr. Merrill had been troubled with his heart, but his condition was not such as to excite alarm as he was very punctual and methodical in the discharge of his du-

ties.

Senate adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—At 3:15 p.m. the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE BILL.

California Makes a Gain
of One Representative.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The roll call of the House showed that 275 members had responded to their names. The Speaker announced a quorum present and that the House was ready for business. The new members were then sworn in.

The first bill of the session introduced in the House was by Representative Crumpacker, Republican, Indiana, "making an apportionment of Representatives in Congress under the eleventh census. It provided an increase of membership from 357 to 365. The following States gain in Representatives: Arkansas, 1; Colorado, 1; California, 1; Connecticut, 1; Florida, 1; Illinois, 2; Massachusetts, 1; Minnesota, 2; Missouri, 1; New Jersey, 2; New York, 4; North Dakota, 1; Pennsylvania, 2; Texas, 2; Washington, 1; West Virginia, 1.

The following States lost: Kansas, 1; Louisiana, 2; Mississippi, 3; Nebraska, 1; North Carolina, 4; South Carolina, 2; Virginia, 1.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Payne, Moore, Grosvenor and Richardson to join the committee of the Senate to notify the President that Congress is ready to receive any communication from him. The House then took a recess until 2 o'clock.

PRESIDENT NOTIFIED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The committee appointed to wait upon the President and inform him that the two hours were organized and ready to receive any communication he might wish to submit, reached the White House at 12 o'clock and were shown into the Cabinet room, where the President was waiting.

ROOT'S ARMY BILL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Secretary Root's bill, a bill to provide for the army, was introduced today by Chairman Hull of the House Military Committee and at once referred to that Committee.

OUR COUNTRY STANDS WELL WITH ALL THE NATIONS OF EARTH.

President M'Kinley Declares for Peace
and Open Door in China--Italy Must
Be Treated Fairly--We Will Give the
Filipinos Justice--Pushing Our Trade
All Over the World--United States is
in a Most Prosperous Condition--
President's Message.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The President's message is as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

With the outgoing of the old and the incoming of the new century you begin the last session of the Fifty-sixth Congress with evidences on every hand of individual and national prosperity and with proof of growing strength and increasing power for good or Republican institutions. Your countrymen will join with you in feeling that American liberty is more firmly established than ever before, and that love for it and the determination to preserve it are more universal than at any former period of our history.

The repudiation was never so strong, because never so strongly entrenched in the hearts of the people as now. The Constitution, with four amendments, exists as it left the hands of its authors. The additions which have been made to it proclaim larger freedom and more extended citizenship. Popular government has demonstrated in its one hundred and twenty-four years of trial its stability and security and its efficacy as the best instrument of national development and the best safeguard to human rights.

OUR POPULATION.

When the sixth Congress assembled in November, 1890, the population of the United States was 5,305,182.

It is now 30,479,000. Then we had sixteen

States, now we have forty-five. Then our territory consisted of 991,070 square miles.

It is now 3,867,795 square miles.

Education, religion and morality have kept pace with our advancement in other directions, and while extending its power the Government has adhered to its foundation principles and abated none of them in dealing with our new peoples and possessors. A nation so preserved and blessed gives reverent thanks to God and invokes his guidance and the continuance of his care and favor.

In our foreign intercourse the dominant question has been the treatment of the Chinese problem. Apart from this our relations with the powers have been happy.

The recent troubles in China spring

from the anti-foreign agitation which

for the past three years has gained

strength in the northern provinces.

Their origin lies deep in the character

of the Chinese races and in the traditions

of their government. The Taiping

rebellion and the opening of Chinese

ports to foreign trade and settlement

disturbed alike the homogeneity and

the cohesion of China.

Meanwhile, foreign activity made it

self felt in all quarters, not alone on the

coast, but along the great rivers, arteries

and in the remoter districts, creating

new ideas and introducing new

associations among the primitive

people which had for centuries

been the source of vast benefit to the

whole commercial world.

In this conclusion, which I had the

privilege to announce in this common

language, I called for a complete

engagement to the interested powers,

on March 29, 1899. I hopefully discerned

a potential factor for the abatement

of the distrust of foreign purposes while

for a year past had appeared to insure

the policy of the Imperial government

in maintaining the integrity of China,

in which we believed the whole Western

world to be alike concerned. To these

ends I caused to be addressed to the

several powers occupying territory and

maintaining spheres of influence in

China the circular proposal of 1899, in

viewing from them declarations of their

intentions and views as to the desirability

of the adoption of measures insuring

the benefits of equality of treatment

of all foreign trade throughout

China.

With gratifying unanimity the re-

sponses coincided in this common

language and in making history.

In all the stirring chapter which re-

calls the gloom of the deviated band,

clinging to hope in the face of despair

and the untaught spirit that led their

relatives through battle and suffering to

the goal, it is a memory of which

my countrymen may justly proud.

The power of our flag was main-

tained alike in the sea and the land,

and that stout American heart have

again set high in fervent imitation

with true men at every race and lan-

guish the inimitable courage that

ever strives for the cause of right and

justice.

On June 19th the legations were cut

off. An identical note from the Yamen

ordered each Minister to leave Peking

under a promise, except within even-

twelve hours. To gain time they re-

quested, and obtained, a prolongation of

that time which was afterward granted and requesting an interview with the Tsing Li Yamen on the following day. No

reply being received, on the morning of

the 20th, the German Minister, Baron

von Ketteler, set out for the Yamen

to obtain a response and on the way

was murdered.

An attempt by the legation guard to

rescue the body was foiled by the Chi-

nes. Armed forces turned out against

the legations. Their quarters were

surrounded and attacked, their inma-

gines taking refuge in the British

Legation, where all the other lega-

tions and guards gathered for more effective

defence. Four hundred persons were

crowded in the narrow passage. The

British native converts were regu-

larly on a near-by place under protec-

tion of the foreigners. Lines of le-

gionaries were strengthened, trenches dug,

barriers raised, and preparations

made to stand a siege, which at once

began.

CONGER'S MESSAGE.

Seeking to testify confidence in the

willingness and ability of the Imperial

administration to redress the

wrongs and prevent the evils we suf-

fered and feared, the marine guard,

which had been sent to Peking in the

autumn of 1899 for the protection of

the legation, was withdrawn at the

HAYNE'S TRICKS ARE BAFFLED.

He Utterly Fails to Trap Engineer Schuyler With Catch Questions.

My wonder is really astounding: In the number of cases we try, that a hard suit could often prove groundless.

And a water suit always prove dry.

This rhyming old quip of an English barrister applies as well to the suit of the Water Company against the city. Even the verbal fencing of the opposing lawyers does not relieve the dryness. Only the vast importance of the case keeps public attention on the trial.

Of course the opinions of famous engineers attracts ardent attention, but this dries in the end because it takes three times as much time is taken in cross-examination as in the direct examination, and there is generally very little of interest developed in the cross-examination.

After they have related all that is interesting that they are subjected to a lengthy round of dry-as-dust questioning of unimportant details. Attorney Hayne spends a vast deal of time and energy in the effort to trap witnesses into making statements that are apparently contra-hactory or may be twisted into an argument of inconsistency. He attacks in this direction his legal practical skillfulness for his witness for the Water Company has thus far involved himself. In contradictions, Hayne made desperate efforts to break the force of the testimony of Expert Adams, but without avail. He is making still greater efforts to weaken the testimony of Engineer Schuyler, but so far his time and labor have been wasted.

ENGINEER SCHUYLER AGAIN.

Mr. Schuyler resumed the stand this morning and testified that the minimum supply of water from San Leandro lake (exclusive of evaporation) was 8,000,000 gallons per day. The capacity of Temescal reservoir he placed at 20,000,000 gallons per day and the average of Sausal reservoir at 50,000 gallons per day.

CAPACITY OF THE SYSTEM.

According to the opinions of Engineers Adams and Schuyler the present minimum water supply of the Central Costa system, exclusive of the Alameda, Berkeley and Mount Eden plants, is 12,500,000 gallons per day, divided as follows:

San Leandro Lake	5,000,000
Almadeno artesian wells	5,000,000
Temescal reservoir	20,000,000
Piedmont tunnels	2,000,000
Sausal reservoir	5,000,000
Total	50,000,000

Mr. Schuyler said that so long as pipe continued in use it should be valued at what it cost to lay it, because when it was worn out it had to be replaced by new pipe. If pipe were worn out and not replaced at all no valuation should be placed on it.

AN ARTFUL DODGE.

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"If you continue to interrupt with your objections, I can't get through to-day," said Hayne, snappishly.

"While we are anxious to get through, we cannot surrender our rights as the party," replied McCutcheon. Hayne had entered into an agreement to make with Mr. Schuyler a statement that would not affect the intention of breaking the agreement if the water company's attorneys did not let him have his way in all things. Every time an objection would be made he would drop it and break the agreement if he could not withdraw it.

Nevertheless he continued to question the witness from a typewritten copy of the report of Issac Mr. Schuyler said he had made his own estimate of the cost of both concrete and pipes in 1886. At that time he had estimated the cost of concrete at 25 a yard and brick at 20 a yard. In his last report he had estimated the cost of concrete at 42 and brick at 30 a yard. One of the flaws of the sworn testimony of Engineer Boardman is the tolerances and quantities of cement used. In the light of subsequent knowledge and developments he thought his estimates for 1886 were too low.

LAWSUIT CALLED DOWN.

As Hayne continued to question the witness directly from the 1886 report, McCutcheon sprang to his feet, exclaiming, "It is perfectly clear that counsel is examining the witness from the report, not from that report in evidence on re-cross-examination. It is admissible on the showing made to date. Counsel is trying to examine Mr. Schuyler on that report while excluding the report itself from

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SLAUGHTERED BY GOVERNOR.

Chinese Official Stabs Scores of Priests, Sisters and Orphans.

going into the evidence. We have nothing to conceal. We have nothing to prove. The word "report," but had only spoken of "estimates" made in 1886.

"The estimates were made in the report and you are asking the witness about them," retorted McCutcheon.

Mr. Schuyler said there were several qualities of puddle. Properly speaking, puddle was clay worked into the condition of mortar, was very expensive in preparing. He had used puddle that cost \$2.00 a per cubic yard.

His question in this direction was to show that no real puddle was put in the San Leandro dam, but in this he was disappointed. Schuyler said the body of the dam was really puddle. Hayne announced after reading this some time in regard to the object, the case had been forced in the Federal Court at San Francisco which imperatively required his presence. He therefore asked that the court adjourn for the day to enable him to appear this afternoon in the court of the matter. No objection was made, the case went over till 10 o'clock tomorrow.

all of the American Board; Mr. and Mrs. Lagren of the Swedish, and Miss Eldred of the English women, were butchered. The English woman, the first victim, the story of these murders directly implicated Yu Hien, the Governor of Shan Shu. As announced in the Peking dispatch of the Associated Press of Saturday last, members of the Chinese Imperial family will probably send Yu Hien a silk cord, which is an intimation that he must hang himself.

The Governor invited them to his palace, intending to give them better protection, but when they arrived their hands were tied. Then the Governor himself pointed them all. Next the Governor went to the Bishop's residence with number of soldiers and seized six Marcelline Sisters.

He promised them money and distinguished husbands if they would renounce Christianity, which offer they unanimously rejected. Thereupon the Governor imprisoned them and also a number of Chinese priests, thirty Chinese Sisters, and 29 orphans from 3 to 16 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Atwater and their two little children, Mrs. C. W. Price and their son, turned.

A number of the reports have been published of the June massacre in Shan Shu, some of the details being too horrible for publication. Men, women and children were butchered. Fifteen seminarians, who had hidden themselves in a cistern, were the dispatch says, tied to stakes and forced to drink the blood of the first victims. They were then killed.

A Chinese priest and two Christians who attempted to escape were caught and put in a small hut, where they were

TELEPHONE MEN ARE SATISFIED.

Six Linemen of Gas Company Have Gone Out.

Six of the ten linemen employed by the Oakland Gas, Light and Heat Company struck today for a day's labor of eight hours at the rate of \$1 per day.

A number of striking linemen from San Francisco endeavored this morning to induce the men of the Sunset Telegraph and Telephone Company to join the strike, but without avail. The linemen told Manager Ellis and Assistant Superintendent Fleming that they were satisfied with the hours of labor and their wages.

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COLONEL BUTLER HOME AGAIN.

Popular Business Man Has Made Money in East.

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The Colonel knows everybody in this part of the country and everybody knows him. His presence here is welcomed by all his former friends, all the more for the reason that he will be able to remain among them for a short period. He will leave for the month next Saturday night. Mr. Butler will spend the winter in Los Angeles and engage four months later.

Colonel Butler is known to have fastened himself upon the Colonel because he looks as he really is, the emblem of property.

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ELKS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL SERVICES.

John A. Britton Delivers an Impressive Address at the Macdonough Theater.

The Memorial Service of Oakland Lodge No. 171, B. P. O. E., was held in the Macdonough Theater yesterday afternoon. The auditorium was filled with people. The stage had not a square inch which was not occupied by members of the order. The services were simple, but heartfelt, and the effect was overpowering upon the spectators, many of whom had never before been privileged to witness a ceremony of the kind.

These memorial services however, have been a feature of the life in Elksdom in this city, though, in the main, they have been intended for the members of the Elks Lodge and their friends. Elks make no display of their charity, and in calling to mind those of their members who have gone before, they enlist now outside their own ranks to pay tribute.

The feeling, however, that all does not end in the grave and that a man must necessarily be blotted from memory because he has passed away—a principle of the Order of Elks—has taken possession of many people, and in deference to that feeling and to those entertaining it, the doors of these memorial scenes have been thrown open. Over those who have gone, no fulsome eulogy is pronounced. The departed live in memory as brothers—as men. Their faults, if any they have had, are charitably washed out like imprints upon the sands beneath the flooding and the receding wave.

The audience which assembled yesterday afternoon represented the intelligence, the professional and social life of Oakland. It was a tribute to the order of Elks, and will not soon be forgotten either by those who composed it or who were instrumental in calling it together.

On the stage, things were not less remarkable. There was a picture there which will live long in memory. The stage manager had set a scene with in "interior," presumably a lodgeroom, in the rear of which was a vista commanding an open space embowered in the wildwood. In this open space stood a large pedestal upon which was a floral specimen of the genus Elk wrought in a more exquisitely perfect manner by Brother Seubertner. The floral design served a dual purpose—that of giving prominence to the symbol of the order and, at the same time, of setting forth the beauty and expressiveness of the monument which the order of Elks has marked, for all time, the spot of God's Aerie in Mountain View Cemetery which is known as "Elk Rest."

The several places on the stage were filled with their respective officers, the Exalted Ruler, H. A. Melvin, occupying a seat beneath the floral symbol of the order and facing the audience.

The members of the lodge wore black suits and on the lapel of each coat was a silver insignia of the order.

On the outer edge of the line of members stood two floral chairs, each of which bore the word, in purple immortelles: "vacant." These chairs represented the seats in the lodge made vacant, during the past year, through the death of W. D. Hendrickson on January 25th, and of C. S. Durbin, on October 9th of this year.

The program was excellent as regards literary and musical features.

The numbers were as follows:

Pilgrim Chorus, R. Wagner

Orchestra under the direction of

Brother Louis Hommer.

"Lead Kindly Light", Dr. Dykes

Elks Quartet—A. G. CPT, J. C.

Hart, C. J. Lear, F. H. Ayers.

Invocation, Chaplain Brother Dr. A. K.

Crawford.

Nocturne for Violin and Flute, F. Behr

Brother L. Hommer and Mr. A.

Paulsen.

Opening Ceremonies, By the Exalted Ruler.

Tenor Solo, "Lord! Who Deserves Our Heavy Grief", Beethoven

Mr. George A. Hall.

Responses, Officers of the Lodge.

Opening Ode, By the Lodge.

Great Ruler of the Universe

All-seeing and benign,

Look down upon and bless our work

And be all glory thine!

Oh! hear our prayer for our honored dead!

While beating in our minds

The memories graven on each heart

For the days of Auld Lang Syne.

Eulogy—"In Memoriam", Brother John J. Allen.

Cello Solo, "Largo", G. F. Haendel

Dr. Arthur F. Regensburger.

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ELKS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL SERVICES.

John A. Britton Delivers an Impressive Address at the Macdonough Theater.

The Memorial Service of Oakland

Lodge No. 171, B. P. O. E., was held

in the Macdonough Theater yesterday

afternoon. The auditorium was filled

with people. The stage had not a

square inch which was not occupied

by members of the order. The services

were simple, but heartfelt, and the effect

was overpowering upon the spectators,

many of whom had never before

been privileged to witness a cere

mony of the kind.

These memorial services however,

have been a feature of the life in Elks-

dom in this city, though, in the main,

they have been intended for the mem-

bers of the Elks Lodge and their friends.

Elks make no display of their chari-

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 3, 1900

The United States courts have just unearthing and who has been living in a others home for years and drawing a pension on a dead man's name. He confessed during the trial that he had never seen the man in the years at which he was given eighteen months imprisonment in the penitentiary. As for whole-some examples of this sort would do lots of good in one he quotes the old adage all the comforts that can be bestowed upon him but it is not pleasant to be supporting it in the name of expense a lot of impostors and scoundrels who create an opportunity for fraud out of our good-heart duc.

NEVADA'S FUTURE

With the exception of a slight falling off in Nebraska the only State falling to show a great increased population as a result of the past ten years is Nevada which now numbers 266,000 people than it did ten years ago. The marked decrease is due to a decline in the mining development of the State but despite the many tributes it has received since the collapse of the Comstock boom Nevada has a promising future and from now on will begin to gain in both population and wealth.

Since dependence on mining is proved to be a broken reed more attention will be paid to the development of agricultural, horticultural and stock raising interests. Our neighbor State is far from being a dead and枯燥的州 and even those lands are capable of yielding prolific harvests if the same efforts are put forward to develop them as have been exercised in the once and now fruitless districts of California. Then again it must be remembered that besides its gold and silver Nevada has other metal that promises favorable returns if properly developed.

California has in a measure overshadowed Nevada. The Caucasian race instinctively sees the ocean but it is for that reason this State received first attention from home seekers. But the opposite is becoming true in California compared to what they can be found in Nevada and that will of itself force many to take up the cross of ploughing in our neighbor State. The completion of the new Los Angeles and San Joaquin will open up a large section of Nevada but it is not possible to say that the next census is taken the State will have a different story to tell. It has the wind, water is available and all that is needed is intelligently directed that will link both elements and bring property and population to the at present dimmed star in our commonwealth.

THE DECLINE OF CRIME.

The penalties for crime imposed by law nowadays are not so much compared to the severity of the punishment inflicted in that not only one hundred years ago. The great majority of crimes are now committed in a more lenient way than what we recognize as criminal. If there were no less than 20,000,000 crimes committed in the period of 1880 to 1890 it is difficult to imagine the number of crimes that will be committed in the next 100 years.

It is somewhat curious to observe now the increase in population in the South and the South is the only State in which the increase is far greater than in the North. The same thing was noticeable in a lesser degree in North Carolina. In fact there is a steady drift of colored people from all over the South to the North and West. Notwithstanding this fact, the increase in the population of every Southern State except Virginia is above the normal which is about 12.5 per cent of the whole country.

Collectively the increase in the Mississippi valley states comprising Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin is below 10 per cent. Even South Carolina beat that. Against it California can show an increase of nearly 24 per cent. Oregon 23 and Washington 19.

The ratio of inmates in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee is almost exactly the same, while below 15 per cent Illinois shows an increase of more than 20 per cent but more than half of it is in the city of Chicago alone. Outside the city it is about 10 per cent.

Against this come Massachusetts with 27 per cent, New York and Pennsylvania with over 20 per cent each. New Jersey with over 18, Georgia, Alabama and West Virginia with little over 20 per cent each. Florida with 35, Louisiana with 27 and Texas with 27 the highest percentage of any of the first States, though it is exceeded in gross total by the increase in New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

The percentages of increase in the sparsely settled interior of the United States and Oklahoma merely represent the occupation of vacant territory and not an appreciable share in summing up population totals. Consequently they do not detract from the evident fact that the population of the United States has become more settled in habit, showing a disposition to cluster about the seashore that man has exhibited from the earliest times. The ideal conditions of human life are found near the seacoast and where the mountains stoop down to the sea as in California these conditions are nearest perfection.

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The American people are estimated to own eighty billion dollars' worth of property. Not only that, we are gradually getting a mortgage on the rest of the world, as witness the way we are lending money to the hard-up nations on the European continent.

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RUNNING A NEWSPAPER.

Rev. Dr. Parkhurst is advertising himself again this time through the medium of an attempted reformation of the press. He announces that he has secured the necessary backing to establish what he declares will be a model newspaper, the distinguishing features of the enterprise to be as follows:

A newspaper which will tell the truth.
A newspaper that will print all the news.
A newspaper that cannot be swayed by advertisers or business.

A newspaper of limitless enterprise and without fear.
A newspaper that will lead public opinion.
A newspaper that the public will believe.

A newspaper beyond the reach of patronage.

Dr. Parkhurst is one of those individuals who fancy that they can run another man's business better than he can do it himself. Like his reverend confessor who a few months ago conducted a newspaper for a week on the lines that he imagined Christ would follow if he were on earth, he is only seeking to create a fact that will bring him in some ready money, and it is more than likely that it will drop down in his heart the doubt is satisfied that the newspaper he suggests, while good enough in theory, could not live permanently and profitably if put to the test.

There is probably no business about which such wild ideas are entertained by some people as that of running a newspaper, and if the suggestions involved in an office during the course of a year from critics and theorists were made public there would be plenty of evidence in sight that Shakespeare was not far wrong when he declared "What fools we mortals be!" Some want all reports of crimes eliminated others ask that the stock quotations be not published in one set and commanded by another, while some people are idiotic enough to ask that no advertising may be accepted, but that the new paper be devoted solely to chronicling current events and that all outside matters be diverted into other channels.

The trouble is that no one seems to realize that a newspaper is a business position of dollars and cents for its proprietor. His object is to build up circulation by publishing such a variety of topics that his paper will be in general demand and to do this, church happenings and estate transactions, sporting gossip, criminal events and all the other news of the day must be so arranged as to hold all classes of readers. Because one man is mainly interested in church matters and not at all in athletic events he should not fight. But all the latter class of news should be suppressed and vice versa from every other standpoint of local happenings. The modern journalism is built to suit the times and it is "yellow" journalism has become popular. In some cities it is because the demand for it is so great. Taken as a whole the newspaper of today is far cleaner and purer than it was fifty years ago, when coarse, ribald and filthy low-joe and anecdotes found their way into print and especially is this true of the American journal which in the absolute sense of the word ranks far higher than any other similar production of the world.

HUMANKIND LOVES THE SEA.

For the first time since the organization of the Federal Government the center of population has moved eastward 60 miles east of where the census of 1890 placed it and almost on the same line of latitude. Empire, as represented by population, has not taken its course westward during the last decade.

It is somewhat curious to observe now the increase in population it is changing about the seaboard. The ratio of increase of population in both the Atlantic and Pacific States has been far above the increase in the great Mississippi Valley States. On the Atlantic we find the two States which have fallen below the normal average are Maine and Virginia. The rigor of climate and inhospitable soil of the former State explain the disposition of its people to migrate to regions where the climate is more kindly and nature more bountiful.

As for Virginia the falling off is due to the constant drift of the negroes to the North. The increase in the white population is above the normal while the increase in the colored population is far below. The same thing was noticeable in a lesser degree in North Carolina. In fact there is a steady drift of colored people from all over the South to the North and West. Notwithstanding this fact, the increase in the population of every Southern State except Virginia is above the normal which is about 12.5 per cent of the whole country.

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MISS CRAFT ON EQUAL SUFFRAGE

Makes a Defense on Behalf of the Women.

Mabel Clara Craft, Sunday editor of the Chronicle is in advocate of woman's suffrage. Miss Craft is so different from what has always been my conception of the female advocate of equal suffrage that I was greatly surprised to receive a letter from her the other day, crittling in editorial in last week's Town Talk which drew attention to the fact that the State in which a negro was recently voted to death is a hotbed of woman's suffrage. She declares it to be her belief that the political emancipation of woman is not far distant, and that it is beyond criticism in those States where it already exists.

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Pretty

is an adjective which seems to have become monopolized by the young lady at the typewriter. It is astonishing what an array of beautiful women are found in stores and offices. In fact, the typical American beauty will be found sitting at the typewriter rather than rolling in a carriage in the business park.

And yet this pretty young girl needs always to be reminded that "beauty" is only skin deep, under

1000 feet in health.

When the health is undermined by continually diseases, the lovelier soon

passes from the eyes, the cheeks

grow thin, the body loses its plumpness.

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on fire, but the flames were successfully fought off, although the foreigners were besieged. Even in the distant provinces men suspected of foreign sympathy were put to death, prominent among these being Chang Yen Hoan, formerly Chinese Minister in Washington.

With the negotiation of the partial armistice of July 11th, a proceeding which was doubtless prompted by the representations of the Chinese envoy in Washington, the way was opened for the conveyance to Mr. Conger of a test message sent by the Secretary of State to the Chinese Emperor:

"I trust that negotiations may begin so soon as we and the other offended governments shall be effectively satisfied with your majesty's ability and power to treat with just sternness the principal offenders, who are doubly culpable, not alone toward the foreigners, but toward your majesty, under whose rule the purpose of China to dwell in accord with the world has hitherto found expression in the welcome and protection assured to strangers."

Taking as a point of departure the imperial edict appointing Earl Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching plenipotentiaries to arrange a settlement, and the edict of September 25, whereby certain high officials were designated for punishment, this Government has removed, in concert with the other powers, toward the opening of negotiations which Mr. Conger, as directed by Mr. Rockhill, has been authorized to conduct on behalf of the United States.

RELIEF EXPEDITION.

This news stimulated the preparations for a joint relief expedition in numbers sufficient to overcome the resistance which for a month had been organizing between Taikot and the capital. Reinforcements sent by all the co-operating governments were constantly arriving. The United States contingent, hastily assembled from this country, amounted to some 5,000, under the able command of the lamented Lieutenant-Colonel Liscum and afterward of General Cheffee.

Toward the end of July the movement began. A severe conflict followed at Tien Tsin, in which Colonel Liscum was killed.

CITY STORMED.

The city was stormed and partially destroyed. Its capture afforded the base of operations from which to make the final advance, which began in the first days of August, the expedition being made up of Japanese, Russian, British and American troops at the outset.

Another battle was fought and won at Yang Toun. Thereafter the disheartened Chinese troops offered little show of resistance. A few days later the important position of Ho Si Woo was taken. A rapid march brought the united forces to the populous city of Tung Chow, which capitulated without a contest.

On August 14th the capital was reached. After a brief conflict beneath the walls the red column entered and the legations were saved. The United States soldiers, sailors and marines, officers and men alike in those distant climes and unusual surroundings showed the same valor, discipline and good conduct and gave proof of the same high degree of int-lelligence and efficiency which have distinguished them in every emergency.

The imperial family and the government had fled a few days before. The city was without visible control. The imperial soldiery had made on the night of the 13th a last attempt to exterminate the besieged, but was gallantly repelled. It fell to the occupiers to restore order and organize a

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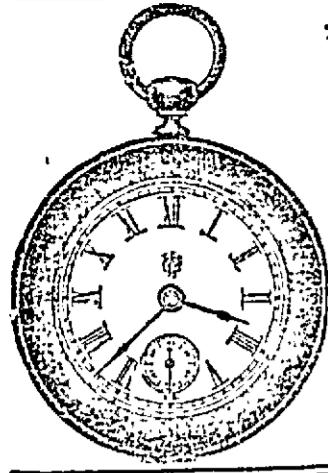
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Mrs. Pretorius, of 421 Sixth Street, found the watch and placed it in the hands of its owner.



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W. R. LOND'S Drug Store, 213 Shattuck avenue.

MRS. LONGHORN Restaurant, 225 Telegraph avenue.

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OAKLAND.

HANNA'S News Depot, corner Seventh and Pine streets, West Oakland.

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Christmas
tree ornaments
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Holiday souvenirs and favors—appropriate for all occasions

Order now and secure first choice

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Coffee—Kona—reg'y 25c lb 22c

It pleases particular people

Catsup—G. B. & Co 15c

Medium sweet—medium sour—

very best—reg'y 25c bottle

Puree de foies gras 20c

Teysoumme—popular goose liver

sandwich paste—reg'y 25c can

Whisky 3 bottles \$2

G. B. & Co—O. K. gallon 3

Sweet mash bourbon—reg'y \$1 and 5c

Sardines—Tuna—13's 10c

Small tender fish—best quality

reg'y 15c can

Candy boxes for the holidays—artistic shapes beautifully decorated—select them now—prices very reasonable

Olive oil—G. B. & Co Lucia 50c

First class salad oil—reg'y 25c bottle

Jams and jellies—1 lb tin 10c

Selected fruit in cane sugar—

reg'y 12c—like home-made

Figs—Imported—reg'y 30c 20c

Extra large London layers

Butter—creamy lb 25c

For table use—cut full weight

Vermouth—French 55c

Almost wholesale price—

reg'y 65c quart

Appetizers—imported cured sausages—anchovies—smoked goose-breasts—English and Irish bacon—live sausages from France—California ripe olives—Stilton, Gorgonzola & Cheddar cheese—Pan Monoy pickles in bulk—imported pumpernickel in cans

Cheese—eastern—reg'y 25c 17c

Full cream—best for Welsh rarebit

Mackerel—Norway XXX \$2 50

New catch—very fine—

reg'y \$3—12 lb holt

Pimentos morrones 12c

Stuffed Spanish peppers—reg'y 15c

Sausages—imported—reg'y 35c 30c

Wiener Wurstschinken—8 in can

Toilet soap—Carmel 50c

Made from olive oil—

reg'y 65c box of 6 cakes

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Listerine—Lambert 20c 65c

Dentifrice paste' 2 jars 55c

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First of the season

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